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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED REFTEL JANUARY 15 WITH SENIOR SWISS
OFFICIALS CONCERNED MNC AND DEVELOPMENT AFFAIRS (STAELIN,
SALADIN). MATTER WILL BE CONSIDERED FURTHER WITHIN GOS
BUT FOLLOWING WERE PRELIMINARY REACTIONS.

2. SWISS SHARE CONCERN RE SOLE CANDIDACY OF SOMAVIA FOR
POSITION OF DIRECTOR MNC INFORMATION AND RESEARCH CENTER
WITHIN UN SECRETARIAT. THEY HAD NO PARTICULAR REACTION TO
INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED PARA 3 REFTEL ALTHOUGH THEY SAW NO
REASON WHY ANY OF THOSE LISTED WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE. THEIR
INITIAL FEELING WAS THAT SWITZERLAND VERY UNLIKELY HAVE
CANDIDATE PUT FORWARD. THEY COULD SEE LOGIC OF NATIONAL
FROM ONE OF COUNTRIES MENTIONED PARA 2 REFTEL BUT ON
OTHER HAND THOUGHT THAT COMPETENT LDC CANDIDATE WITH
REQUISITE TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVITY WOULD
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BE EVEN MORE ACCEPTABLE GENERALLY. VARIOUS POSSIBILITIES

MAY BE REVIEWED WITH FORMER SWISS PRESIDENT SCHAFFNER WHO
SERVED ON EMINENT PERSONS PANEL.

3. ON RELATED SUBJECT, GOS OFFICIALS WERE CONSIDERING
WHETHER TO INSTRUCT SWISS OBSERVER MISSION NEW YORK PUT
FORWARD CANDIDACY OF SWITZERLAND SHOULD OPEN ELECTION TAKE
PLACE IN WESTERN AND OTHER GROUP FOR 10 SEATS ON UN
COMMISSION ON MNCS OR WHETHER INSTEAD TO WAIT A YEAR UNTIL
VACANCY WILL PRESUMABLY OCCUR. THEY NOTED GREAT IMPORTANCE
TO SWITZERLAND OF ANY INTER-GOVERNMENTAL WORK ON MNCS AND
HOPED THEY COULD HAVE USG SUPPORT AT APPROPRIATE TIME
FOR SEAT FOR SWITZERLAND. WE GAINED IMPRESSION THEY WILL
NOT PRESS MATTER AT THIS TIME.

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